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AMEMBASSY SINGAPORE

C O N F I D E N T I A L KUALA LUMPUR 5865

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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: SINGAPORE HIGH COMMISSIONER TO AUSTRALIA: SEE CHAK MUN

REF: CANBERRA 7150

1. SEE CHAK MUN WAS ASSIGNED TO THE SINGAPORE HIGH COMMISSION IN KUALA LUMPUR AS COUNSELLOR AND DEPUTY HIGH COMMISSIONER ABOUT TWO AND ONE-HALF YEARS AGO. DURING HIS STAY HERE HE WAS VERY ACTIVE IN DIPLOMATIC CIRCLES AND FOLLOWED MALAYSIAN POLITICAL AFFAIRS CLOSELY. HE WAS DETAILED TO ACCOMPANY PRIME MINISTER LEE KWAN YEW TO CHINA IN MAY 1976 AND, ONE MAY SPECULATE FROM THE REMARKS OF HIS COLLEAGUES IN THE HIGH COMMISSION, HIS APPOINTMENT TO THE IMPORTANT POST IN CANBERRA IS THE RESULT OF THE FAVORABLE IMPRESSION HE MADE ON LEE.

2. EMBASSY RELATIONS WITH CHAK MUN HAVE BEEN REASONABLY CLOSE, ALTHOUGH NOT AS CLOSE AS WITH HIS PREDECESSOR, MUSH Aid ALI, PERHAPS THIS IS BECAUSE CHAK MUN TENDED TO BE A BIT AGGRESSIVE PROFESSIONALLY AND TO TAKE A PROVOCATIVELY MORE NEGATIVE LINE ON THE SITUATION HERE THAN SEEMED WARRANTED BY EVENTS. ONE ALSO FOUND THAT HE ASKED MORE QUESTIONS THAN HE WAS WILLING TO ANSWER, THUS PROFESSIONAL RELATIONS WITH HIM TENDED TO BE A BIT ONESIDED. HIS PERSONABLE WIFE ANICIA, REPEAT ANICIA, IS A FILIPINO CHINESE WHO WAS WORKING AT THE WORLD BANK IN WASHINGTON WHEN

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